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13-14 June 2023

13 June: 09:00 to 17:00, Bangkok time

14 June: 09:00 to 17:45, Bangkok time

Hybrid [by invitation only]

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

(12 June 2023)

Tuesday, 13 June 2023	
08:30-09:00	Participants join in person or via Zoom
09:00-09:30	Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Srinivas Tata, Director, Social Development Division, ESCAP• Mr. Björn Andersson, Regional Director, Asia and the Pacific Regional Office, UNFPA• Dr. Juan Perez III, Vice President, Philippines Forum for Family Planning and Development and Senior ICPD Adviser, Philippines Overview of the meeting and introduction of participants <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Sabine Henning, Chief, Sustainable Demographic Transition Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP
09:30-10:30 (60 minutes)	Session 1: Poverty Eradication and Employment <p>Moderator: Mr. Markus Ruck, Social Protection Specialist, ILO Decent Work Technical Support Team for East and South-East Asia and the Pacific (ILO DWT-Bangkok)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (Chapter 1)• Discussants:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Dr. Abdul Malik, Minister of State for Gender, Family and Social Services, Ministry of Gender, Family and Social Services, Maldives○ Ms. Sayuri Cocco Okada, Social Affairs Officer, Sustainable Socioeconomic Transformation Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP• Response: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates• Q&A
10:30-10:45	Break

<p>10:45-11:45 (60 minutes)</p>	<p>Session 2: Health and Sexual Reproductive Health, Services and Rights</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Aishath Shafina, Senior Social Policy Analyst, Office of the President of the Maldives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (Chapters 2 and 3) • Discussants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Paul Ong, Chief Strategy Officer, Tsao Foundation, Singapore and Adjunct Associate Professor, College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Flinders University, Australia ○ Ms. Shireen Jejeebhoy, Director, Aksha Centre for Equity and Wellbeing, and Distinguished Visiting Faculty, International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai, India ○ Ms. Alexa Johns, Executive Director, Asia-Pacific Alliance for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights, Bangkok, Thailand • Response: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates • Q&A
<p>11:45-12:45</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Lunch Break</i></p>
<p>12:45-13:45 (60 minutes)</p>	<p>Session 3: Data and Statistics</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Christophe Lefranc, Technical Adviser, Population and Development (Census and Data), Asia and the Pacific Regional Office, UNFPA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Dayyan Shayani, Statistician, Statistics Division, ESCAP ○ Mr. Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (Chapter 12) • Q&A
<p>13:45-14:45 (60 minutes)</p>	<p>Session 4: Education, Adolescents and Young People</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. K.S. James, Director and Senior Professor, International Institute for Population Studies (IIPS), India</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (Chapters 4 and 6) • Discussants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ms. Ticiana Garcia-Tapia, Adolescent Development Specialist, UNICEF, East Asia & Pacific Regional Office, Thailand ○ Mr. Sang-Hyop Lee, Chair of the Department of Economics, University of Hawaii at Manoa, USA (virtual) • Response: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates • Q&A
<p>14:45-15:00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Break</i></p>

<p>15:00-16:00 (60 minutes)</p>	<p>Session 5: Gender</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Cai Cai, Chief, Gender Equality and Social Inclusion Section Social Development Division, ESCAP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (Chapter 5) • Discussants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ms. Sai Jyothirmai Racherla, Deputy Executive Director, Asian-Pacific Resource & Research Centre for Women (ARROW), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia ○ Ms. Maria Holtsberg, Deputy Regional Director (OIC)/Humanitarian, DRR, Climate Advisor, Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, UN Women • Response: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates • Q&A
<p>16:00-17:00 (60 minutes)</p>	<p>Session 6: Cross-sectional issues (Chapters 1-7)</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Eduardo Klien, Regional Representative, HelpAge International, Asia-Pacific Regional Office, Thailand</p> <p>Reflections: Ms. Aishath Shafina, Senior Social Policy Analyst, Office of the President of the Maldives</p> <p>Plenary discussion</p>

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<p>08:30-09:00</p>	<p>Participants join in person or via Zoom</p>
<p>09:00-10:00 (60 minutes)</p>	<p>Session 7: Ageing</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Rintaro Mori, Regional Adviser, Population Ageing and Sustainable Development, Asia and the Pacific Regional Office, UNFPA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (Chapter 8) • Discussants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Eduardo Klien, Regional Representative, HelpAge International, Asia-Pacific Regional Office, Thailand ○ Ms. Wiraporn Pothisiri, Professor, College of Population Studies, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand • Response: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates • Q&A
<p>10:00-10:15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Break</p>
<p>10:15-11:15 (60 minutes)</p>	<p>Session 8: International Migration, Urbanization and Internal Migration</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Pia Oberoi, Senior Advisor on Migration and Human Rights (Asia Pacific), OHCHR Regional Office</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, (Chapters 9 and 10) • Discussants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ms. Maruja Asis, Director of Research and Publications, Scalabrini Migration Center, Manila, Philippines ○ Mr. Jerry Huguet, Consultant on Population and Development, Bangkok, Thailand • Response: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates • Q&A
11:15-12:15 (60 minutes)	<p>Session 9: Population Dynamics and Climate Change</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Katinka Weinberger, Chief, Sustainable Socio-Economic Transition Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation: Mr. Napaphat Satchanawakul, Social Affairs Officer, Sustainable Demographic Transition Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP (Paper on “Population dynamics and climate change”) • Discussants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Leiwen Jiang, Senior Associate, Population Council and Professor, Asian Demographic Research Institute, Shanghai University, China ○ Ms. Irina Troitskaya, Leading Researcher, Faculty of Economics, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Russian Federation • Response: Mr. Napaphat Satchanawakul, Social Affairs Officer, Sustainable Demographic Transition Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP • Q&A
12:15-13:15	<i>Lunch Break</i>
13:15-14:15 (60 minutes)	<p>Session 10: Population and Sustainable Development</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Juan Perez III, Vice President, Philippines Forum for Family Planning and Development and Senior ICPD Adviser, Philippines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (Chapter 11) • Discussants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Chea Chantum, Secretary-General, General Secretariat for Population and Development, Ministry of Planning, Cambodia ○ Mr. K.S. James, Director and Senior Professor, International Institute for Population Studies (IIPS), India ○ Ms. Narissa Seegulam, UNSDCF Partnerships and Programme Officer, UNDCO, Asia-Pacific • Response: Mr. Stuart Gietel-Basten, Professor of Social Science, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates • Q&A

<p>14:15-15:15 (60 minutes)</p>	<p>Session 11: Cross-sectional issues (Chapters 8-11)</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Paul Ong, Chief Strategy Officer, Tsao Foundation, Singapore and Adjunct Associate Professor, College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Flinders University, Australia</p> <p>Reflections: Dr. Abdul Malik, Minister of State for Gender, Family and Social Services, Ministry of Gender, Family and Social Services, Maldives</p> <p>Plenary discussion</p>
<p>15:15-15:30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Break</p>
<p>15:30-16:30 (60 minutes)</p>	<p>Session 12: Recommendations I</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Madusha Dissanayake, Programme Specialist, a.i., Asia and the Pacific Regional Office, UNFPA</p> <p>Working groups (parallel - 40 minutes)</p> <p>Facilitator: Mr. Marco Roncarati, Social Affairs Officer, Sustainable Demographic Transition Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP</p> <p>(a) Population dynamics and sustainable development, including climate change</p> <p>(b) Health, including sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights</p> <p>Plenary and Q&A</p>
<p>16:30-17:30 (60 minutes)</p>	<p>Session 13: Recommendations II</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Sabine Henning, Chief, Sustainable Demographic Transition Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP</p> <p>Working groups (parallel – 40 minutes)</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Vanessa Steinmayer, Population Affairs Officer, Sustainable Demographic Transition Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP</p> <p>(c) Inequalities and social exclusion, and rights</p> <p>(d) Partnerships and regional cooperation</p> <p>Plenary and Q&A</p>
<p>17:30-17:45</p>	<p>Closing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Srinivas Tata, Director, Social Development Division, ESCAP

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